



# Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc.

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To: Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

From: Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc.

Re: **Opposition of SB650 - Vehicle Laws - Title Service Agents - Out-of-State Vehicle Titles and Registrations**

On behalf of our member families, I submit this written testimony opposing SB 650. This bill prohibits a title service agency from issuing an out-of-state title, registration, or registration plate for a vehicle or trailer that is required to be titled and registered in the state of Maryland.

Because of the high cost of tagging every farm trailer in Maryland, many farmers use out-of-state options like the one in Maine to not only tag a trailer for a considerably lower cost, but also for a significantly longer period of time. This bill would eliminate the ability for a farmer to use an out-of-state vehicle or trailer registration.

A much more proactive approach to getting more of these types of trailer tags along with the interstate motor truck tag registrations would be to copy Maine's tagging prices and length of registration so people would tag their trailers in Maryland instead of Maine. This would be a massive cash flow increase and would inject significant funds into an already underfunded Highway Transportation Trust Fund.

Forcing an excessive cost burden on the Maryland farmer is not the answer.

**MARYLAND FARM BUREAU RESPECTFULLY OPPOSES SB 650**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Colby Ferguson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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